

**NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE
BOARD OF SCIENTIFIC ADVISORS**

caBIG[®] Oversight Ad hoc Subcommittee

Mission Statement

The purpose of the Ad hoc subcommittee is to evaluate the scientific merit of the caBIG[®] Program's ongoing and planned initiatives and to advise the NCI Board of Scientific Advisors (BSA) and the NCI Director about steps that should be taken to improve the caBIG[®] program and to enhance its utility for current and future users of the program. In the immediate future, in accord with the recent review of caBIG[®] by the BSA, the subcommittee will evaluate whether individual tools and technologies developed by caBIG[®] should be discontinued, transferred to the academic or industrial community with appropriate support, or continued internally under a focused clinical and research impact-driven management plan.

Over the long run, advice will be sought regarding appropriate informatics priorities, initiatives, business model(s), and resource allocations both nationally and internally, for informatics development. The subcommittee will work to define the informatics and algorithmic needs of NCI's clinical, translational, and the basic science research communities, while recognizing that these needs are not necessarily unique to cancer research.

Membership of the Subcommittee will include scientists with expertise in bioinformatics, technology, clinical informatics, consumer health, basic research, translational research, bioengineering, and other domains.